

LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **December 10, 2002 – Work Session**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 4

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:

(Confidential)

ACTION:

INFORMATION: **X**

ITEM TITLE: **Monument Terrace Steps Renovation
City Project No. 98105-M**

RECOMMENDATION:

While no official action from Council is requested, the Work Session will be an opportunity to provide any additional comments regarding the final design of the project. If the design is acceptable, then the project will be advertised for bids.

SUMMARY:

Since the previous update to Council at the March 26th Work Session, Engineering Division staff and the City's consultants from Versar, Inc. have met with other City staff, veterans' groups and other community organizations, and have held three public information meetings. From the meetings staff directed Versar to proceed with construction plans. All of the meetings were based on Council's decision to proceed with the restoration plan. The plan includes the installation of adequate drainage and the repair of the footings, stairs, railings, walls, fountains and monuments.

Versar submitted 65% completed plans in early October and staff reviewed them. The 95% completed plans were submitted last week for final comments. After any additional concerns are addressed, the project will be advertised for bids. After the bids are opened and the final scope of City funding is determined, there will probably be a private fundraising effort to support parts of the overall project that can not be covered by City funding. Construction should start in early spring, 2003 and last approximately 18 months, which will allow the new landscaping to be planted in the fall of 2004.

Bill Allen from Versar will be at the Council Work Session to give an update and answer questions.

PRIOR ACTION(S):

February 1, 2000 - PDC approved the development of a design strategy and preliminary cost estimates.

April 3, 2001- PDC approved a comprehensive investigation of the physical condition of Monument Terrace by Versar Greenwood.

March 26, 2002 – Council authorized staff to proceed with the restoration option for Monument Terrace.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for construction of \$1,879,295.00 was appropriated in the FY03 Capital Budget.

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ATTACHMENT(S): None

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